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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

9 COMMANDER EMILY SHILLING, et al.,

No. 2:25-cv-241-BHS

10 Plaintiffs,

RESPONSE TO THE COURT'S  
11 v.  
12 ORDER  
13 Defendants.

DONALD J. TRUMP, in his official capacity as  
President of the United States, et al.,

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15 The Court's March 12, 2025 Minute Order requires Defendants "to submit a copy of the  
16 Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs' Action Memo, dated  
17 February 26, 2025, with the subject Implementing Guidance for Prioritizing Military Excellence  
18 and Readiness Executive Order (EO), (hereinafter action memo), as well as the entirety of any  
19 studies or data that the action memo cites, including:

- 20 • Accession Medical Standards Analysis and Research Activity (AMSARA) Report,  
21 Analysis of Medical Administrative Data on Transgender Service Members, July 14, 2021.
- 22 • Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs Literature Review: Level  
23 of Evidence for Gender-Affirming Treatments."

24 Accordingly, Defendants hereby attach the following:

1	Exhibit 1	Timothy Dill (performing the duties of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower & Reserve Affairs), Action Memo: <i>Implementing Guidance for Prioritizing Military Excellence and Readiness Executive Order (EO)</i> (Feb. 26, 2025) (the “Action Memo”).
2	Exhibit 2	Action Memo Tab 11 – Sec'y of Defense, <i>Military Service by Transgender Individuals</i> (Feb. 22, 2018).
3	Exhibit 3	Action Memo Tab 12 – Accession Medical Standards Analysis and Research Activity (AMSARA), <i>Analysis of Psychological Stability as a Factor in Determining Medical Accession Standards for Transgender Individuals</i> (July 14, 2021).
4	Exhibit 4	Action Memo Tab 13 - Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, <i>Literature Review: Level of Evidence for Gender-Affirming Treatments</i>

9 DATE: March 12, 2025

10 Respectfully submitted,

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